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## BRIDGEPORT CLUB MANY CELEBRATE

MEMBERS ENJOY QUADRENNIAL OF  
FIRST BIG DANCE FAMOUS SCHOOL

Women Guests Brilliantly Gowned and Merriment Lasts Until Morning.

The first annual ball of the Bridgeport club to be held outside of its own club rooms was a brilliant affair last night at the Casino in State street, which had been tastefully decorated for the occasion. The festivities, later resumed in the club house, which had been transferred into one large dining room continued until a late hour this morning.

At the conclusion the affair was asserted by old members to have been one of the most sumptuous affairs ever attended by the Bridgeport club. The grand march began at 9 o'clock, Mayor Wilson and Miss Harriet O'Neil leading the procession. Nearly 200 couples participated. The number was rapidly augmented as the later hours struck. Spelld's orchestra was seated on a raised platform, surrounded by bunting and hidden among palms.

On the dancing floor a galaxy of beautifully dressed women dazzled the spectators in the gallery, which was packed. The gowns were brilliant in their colorings. Refreshments were served throughout.

At 1 o'clock a transfer was made from the Casino to the club rooms, where a special midnight menu was served. The gaiety continued unabated. The committee on arrangements were: Thomas Douglas, chairman; Wesley L. Norton, president of the club; F. H. Christie, Fred C. Keller, W. H. Lank, Walter B. Wakelee and James Turner, secretary of the club, were somewhat disappointed owing to the non-appearance of the Critteron quartet, with which they had arranged to be present. The quartet members explained that one of their singers had suffered recently from an inflamed throat and it was impossible for the coterie to sing.

President Hibben of Princeton University, who succeeded Woodrow Wilson there, will take the stump for Colonel Roosevelt for President.

## Chosen to Superintend The Military Academy

Alumnae Gather From Many Places to Celebrate 25th Anniversary.

The 25th anniversary celebration of the founding of Cortlandt school held yesterday in the residence of Mrs. DeVer H. Warner, Park place, was attended by hundreds of graduates of this famous educational institute who came from near and far to be present. Miss Mary Miner, one of the founders of the school and its principal, assisted by Mrs. George Holmes Edwards, president of the Graduate association, received the guests. Mrs. Nathan B. Topping, sister of Miss Miner and as Miss Clara Miner for years a teacher at the school, stood in the receiving line during part of the afternoon. The house decorations were of pale green and white, the school colors, and carried out with pear blossoms, white lilies, marguerites and dog wood. A large white frosted cake, initiated in green and surrounded by 25 lighted candles graced the dining room table.

The entertainment was a program of dances arranged by Miss Benita V. Slocum, who once taught physical culture at the school. The dancing was given on the west lawn. The first number was a waltz danced by Miss Sally Lavery and Miss Helene Pell in Colonial costume. Miss Emma Chase gave an interpretation of Mendelssohn's "Spring Song," and Miss Dorothy Lyon, Miss Dorothy Smith, and Miss Lorraine Armstrong gave "Moment Musical." Miss Isabel Pillans gave a "Butterfly Dance." Miss Slocum's senior class gave "In a Sylvan Glade," in which Miss Chase appeared in the solo part. The other dancers included Miss Lyon, Miss Armstrong, Miss Smith, Miss Pillans, Miss Cora Anderson, Miss Marguerite Sanford, Miss Florence Davidson, Miss Eva Donning, Miss Irene Comer, Miss Esther Jackson, Miss Elizabeth Havens and Miss Hedwig Schweizer.

At the election of officers preceding the reception, Mrs. Edwards was re-elected president of the association, Miss Catherine Plumb was chosen vice president, Miss Dorothy Lyon, secretary, and Miss Louise Gould, treasurer. Beside the officers the executive committee will be composed of Mrs.

## COL. ROOSEVELT ACCUSES TEUTON NAVAL LEADERS



Colonel John Biddle, corps of engineers, has been selected by Secretary of War Baker to succeed Colonel Clarence P. Townsley of the coast artillery as superintendent of the United States Military academy at West Point. It was announced in Washington. Colonel Biddle has been in the engineers since his graduation from West Point in 1881 and has had charge of many important public works. He is stationed at present in Baltimore. In October, 1914, he was detailed as a military observer with the army of Austria-Hungary. Colonel Biddle will exchange his colonel's eagles for a brigadier general's stars soon.

John Field and Mrs. Frances Williams. The associate members chosen this year were Miss Elizabeth Nichols and Miss Priscilla Sterling who was the first girl born to a Cortlandt school graduate. As this season's lecture proved so popular it was voted to hold another next year.

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## Democracy's Official Publicity Promoter



Frederick W. Steckman, for the past twelve years a Washington newspaper correspondent, has been selected as director of publicity for the Democratic national committee. He is a native of Princeton, Mo., unmarried and thirty-six years old. He was in charge of the Chicago headquarters of the committee in the 1912 campaign and originated the idea of soliciting small contributions for the campaign. This plan netted the committee more than \$100,000. Mr. Steckman's newspaper affiliations date from the time he was less than ten years old, and he has been "in the game" ever since. He represented the St. Louis Republic when he first came to the capital in 1904. He is now a political writer for the Washington Post and correspondent for the New Orleans Daily States.

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Declares Their Plan Was to Make U. S. Pay Expenses of Warfare.

Detroit, Mich., May 19.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, in an address today, reiterated his opposition "to all kinds of hyphenated Americanism," advocated universal military service based on universal training, and declared that "we must abolish 'test oaths' and methods in our national defense, stop talking and get down to the actual business of thorough preparation if we are to make this nation as strong as are its competitors in reference to right and wrong."

Colonel Roosevelt prefaced his speech by announcing that he had "come here to Michigan because, in the primer, for the selection of delegates to the Republican National Convention, Mr. Ford was victorious, and following on his victory here, he showed a marked popular strength in Nebraska and Pennsylvania. The effect of this showing has been immediately visible upon many of the politicians within and without Congress."

"We, through our support of Mr. Ford," said Colonel Roosevelt, "have absolutely refused in the smallest degree to prepare during these 22 months of world cataclysm. We have refused to learn the smallest part of the lesson being written on the scroll of torment in Europe. We have fatuously refused to take the smallest step, either to do our duty to ourselves or to do our duty to others. We have refused to compromise in anything save 'timidity,' the worthy shrinking from effort and responsibility, and cold and selfish love of money making and of soft ease."

"In any serious crisis there are always men who try to carry water on both shoulders. These men try to escape the hard necessity of choice between two necessarily opposite alternatives, by trying to work up some compromise. In actual practice, this compromise usually proves to combine with exquisite nicety all the defects and none of the advantages of both courses. It is true that in ordinary political matters compromise is essential. It is true that in ordinary times it is essential. But there come great times when compromise is either impossible or fatal. This is one of those crises. There is no use in saying that we will sit ourselves to defend ourselves a little, but not much. Such a position is equivalent to announcing that, if necessary, we shall hit, but that we shall only hit soft. The only right principle is to prepare thoroughly and not at all. The only right principle is to avoid hitting if it is possible to do so, but never under any circumstances to hit soft. To go to war a little, but not much, is to ensure disaster. To prepare a little, but not much, stands on a par with a city developing a fire department which, after a few fires, can put it out a little, but not much."

Colonel Roosevelt declared that the Wilson administration "has taken no steps for preparedness, and has done nothing efficient to sustain our national rights." Because, he said, the administration had at intervals, "ventured feebly to speak in contradiction of its non-action," the ultra-pacifists and their followers have refused it any whole-hearted support. They object, Colonel Roosevelt added, "even to make-believe preparedness; they insist on even more thorough-going helplessness than that which we had so amply provided at Washington."

"We must make this nation as strong as are its competitors in reference to right and wrong," declared Colonel Roosevelt. "It little matters what our ideals may be and what achievements we may hope for, if these ideals and achievements cannot be reduced to action. The events of the past, and the events of today,

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Women's Lisle Vest, low neck, sleeveless, fine ribbed. Value 39c. Sale Price. 25c. EACH

Misses' Union Suits, low neck, no sleeves, lace trimmed. Value 35c. Sale Price. 25c. EACH

Men's Nainsook Athletic Shirts and Knee Length Drawers. Val. 39c. Sale Price. 25c. EACH

Men's Nainsook Union Suits, knee length. Value 69c. Sale Price. 50c. EACH

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MANUFACTURERS' SAMPLES of Children's and Misses' Muslin Underwear. In the lot you will find Princess Slips, Night Gowns, Skirts and Drawers. Value up to \$1.00. Special Price We reserve the right to limit the quantities. 25c. each

CHILDREN'S SKIRTS AND DRAWERS. Value 25c. Special Price. 10c. EACH

#### MUSLIN UNDERWEAR FOR THE MAY WHITE SALE

Women's Flesh Color Gowns and Envelope Chemise with fine lace trimming; also white. Value \$1.00. Sale Price. 1.25. EACH

Women's Combination Corset Cover and Drawers of fine muslin with lace and embroidery trim-ming. Value 50c. Sale Price. 39c. EACH

Women's Envelope Chemise of fine nainsook with lace trimming. Value 50c. Sale Price. 33c. EACH

#### SHEETS, PILLOW CASES, BED SPREADS, COMFORTERS AND NEW SPRING WASH GOODS FOR THE MAY WHITE SALE

Bleached Seamless Sheets, size 81x99, made of extra heavy quality bleached cotton with three and 1 inch hems. Value 98 cts. Sale Price. 75c. EACH

Bleached Table Damask, mercerized, heavy quality, 64 inches wide, assorted patterns. Val. 39c. 50c. Sale Price. 39c. YARD

Comforters covered with fine quality silk-olene filled with white carded cotton, full size. Value \$2.50. Sale Price. \$1.98. EACH

Reppelt for Children's Rompers and Dresses in neat stripes. Every yard stamped Rep-pelett. Value 84c. 15c. Sale Price. 84c. YARD

White Linene, 34 inches wide, extra fine quality, heavy weight, for skirts and suits. Value 17c. Sale Price. 12 1/2c. YARD

Blankets in white and grey, summer weight, with colored borders. Value \$1.39. Sale Price. \$1.19. PAIR

show that national ideals amount to nothing. The nation lacks the power to maintain them against opposition.

"Therefore if we are to win at home against those of our fellow citizens who believe in the policy of unpreparedness, that is, of national weakness and inefficiency, we must have strong and well reasoned convictions and express them with strength and sincerity. A considerable part of the strength of Mr. Ford in the primaries, and of the strength of the advocates of half-preparedness at Washington, comes from the fact that no real alternative of policy is offered with sincerity and fearlessness."

"In urging 'universal military service' as the only universal remedy, Colonel Roosevelt said he believed in it because it would be not only of incalculable benefit to the nation in the event of war, but of incalculable benefit to the individuals undergoing it, and therefore to the nation, as regards the work of peace. He continued: 'I believe that the dog-tent would prove a most effective agent for demoralizing and nationalizing our life; quite as much so as the public school, and far more so than the American factory and the American army and navy. Preparedness through universal service would turn out to be the best possible school of practical civics. In such a school all men who are Americans in spirit would get together and learn to work together, so as to insure co-operation among our people in social and industrial life. Such co-operation will secure not merely poverty and oppression, but also the sense of obligation which is just as important as the other two.'

"We must abolish pork-barrel methods in the army—as regards army posts, navy yards, as regards everything else. Remember that after preparedness has been accepted by the country and the necessary funds voted, the real work will have only begun. England's navy represents over three centuries of development along an unbroken line of tradition and progress to the present stage of efficiency. The first and all important essential is to divorce the army and navy organizations absolutely from politics."

Colonel Roosevelt asserted that "the extreme naval party in Germany has recently advocated war with the United States on the ground that in the end, as the result of such a war, we would have to pay all the war expenditures of the German people and their allies."

"These enormous sums would be raised by taxation on all our citizens," he said; "those of German descent would pay as heavily as those of any other descent; and all would share equally the shame and dishonor. A foreign foe is the foe of all of us alike. If in this land the citizens of one national origin successfully set the fashion of influencing this nation to its own detriment in the interest of the country from which they originally came, sooner or later it is absolutely certain that the citizens of some other national origin will repeat the experiment; and this country will be left degraded and helpless among the

nations. If such an event befall us, the bitter bread of humiliation will be eaten by all those who dwell in this land, no matter what their creed, no matter what their national origin. It will be eaten by your children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren just as much as by mine."

"Americanism is a matter of the spirit, not of birthplace or descent. Among the best Americans I have ever known, among the men closest to me in social and political life, are, and have been, men born in other countries whose fathers were born in Germany, Ireland, the Scandinavian kingdoms, and other European countries. They stand on an exact level with the oldest Americans, whose ancestors were here in Colonial times. We are all part of the same people."

"We all stand together for our common flag and our common country. We must so prepare that this country will be a good place in which the children of children of all of us shall live; and to do this we must so prepare that we can repel all foreign foes and preserve the inestimable right of settling for ourselves the fate of this mighty democratic republic. But the essence of this policy of full preparedness, which remember is not only military but at least as much industrial and social, is that it is purely defensive, and is the best possible assurance of peace. No nation will ever attack a unified and prepared America."

#### MEMORY TRAINING EXPERT ASTONISHES Y. M. C. A. GATHERING

Victor Werner, a coming memory training expert, last night surprised and delighted his audience at the Y. M. C. A. with many feats of memory. He gave with facility a great variety of diverse facts, relating to such matters as the circulation of all the leading newspapers in the United States; date of birth and death of all the presidents; area of each state and territory, its population, senators, capital, and date of admission to the union. He also memorized a number reaching into octillions in about a half minute.

Mr. Werner was pitted with questions by his audience, and while he did not divulge any of the secrets of the system by which he remembers so well, he told his listeners that it all came through the application of concentration, association and assimilation of ideas.

Mr. Werner said in part that knowledge which is not at your finger tips when wanted, is not knowledge at all. The memory of the average man is not defective, he said, the reason he forgets things is because he has not learned how to remember them. He also pointed out the distinct advantages to every business man in remembering names and faces, telephone numbers, addresses, price lists, catalogue numbers and hundreds of other bits of useful information.

After explaining the simplicity of

the method, and how a man can acquire a good memory through its use in a few weeks or months, ten or a dozen men expressed a desire to join a class in the subject at once. It was learned today through Mr. Keeney, the educational secretary, that a class may be formed very soon, although it had not been thought of before last night.

#### SNEAK THIEVES MAKE TWO RAIDS IN NIGHT

Two reports of operations by sneak thieves were received by the police today. The home of Mrs. Charles Farley, 1364 State street, was entered yesterday and a woman's gold watch stolen. Two ruffians forcibly pushed aside Mrs. Julia Smith from her doorway at 238 Smith street and entered the house. They lost their nerve before anything had been taken as Mrs. Smith's screams were attracting attention of the neighbors. Making their way out of a back door they escaped capture.

#### TUBERCULOSIS CLAIMS MANY SOLDIER VICTIMS

Stockholm, May 19.—Evidence of the heavy toll that tuberculosis is exacting in the world war is found in the exchange of disabled prisoners which is being conducted through Sweden by Russia and Austria. One train from the Russian camps had 30 cases of consumption among the 230 Austrian prisoners on board. Three of the victims died while the train was passing through this country.

On another train from Russia there were 30 Austrians who had been rendered insane by their sufferings. Three trains are now running weekly in each direction exchanging prisoners who from disease, loss of limbs or mental breakdown are not fit for further military service.

#### BROTHER OF BISHOP BREWSTER TAKES CALL

Litchfield, Conn., May 19.—Rev. William T. Brewster, of Warehous Point, brother of Rt. Rev. Bishop Brewster, of the Diocese of Connecticut, has accepted the call given him to become rector of St. Michael's church here, to succeed Rev. Storrs O. Seymour, long the rector. Mr. Brewster will preach his first sermon as rector on July 2. He is a graduate of Yale, class of 1881, and later went West. He was ordained a deacon in 1886.

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